GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Department of Health Care Finance



Office of the Senior Deputy Director/Medicaid Director

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TO: DC Physicians, Dentists, Nurse Practitioners, and Nurse Midwives

FROM:

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SUBJECT: Final Deadline to Register for the DC Medicaid EHR Incentive Program Fast

Approaching - Act Before August 15th

The District of Columbia Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF) is excited to announce the final deadline for providers who have not previously attested for the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program (MEIP) through DC or another state. This is the last chance for eligible professionals to receive free technical assistance and to collect first-year incentive payments of \$21,250 per provider.

To qualify for Medicaid EHR incentive payments, an Eligible Professional must:

- Be either a physician, nurse practitioner, certified nurse midwife or dentist;
- Maintain a Medicaid patient volume threshold of 30% (20% for pediatricians);
- Adopt, Implement or Upgrade (AIU) federally certified health information technology (see https://chpl.healthit.gov for more information)

DHCF is partnering with eHealthDC to provide free technical assistance to providers for EHR vendor selection and implementation. For providers who already have a certified EHR, but have not attested for incentive payments, eHealthDC will provide technical assistance to navigate the MEIP attestation systems and achieve meaningful use requirements.

The final deadline to submit an attestation with the incentive program is now August 31, 2017. We highly encourage you to contact eHealthDC by August 15th to ensure you meet this deadline.

Providers who have not selected an EHR and attested through the DC SLR by August 31, 2017 will no longer be eligible to register for the DC MEIP to receive incentive payments totaling up to \$63,750 per provider over a 6-year period. Those who have previously attested through DC or another state are also eligible for eHealthDC support and will be able to attest for Program Year 2016 until August 31, 2017.

For more information on whether you qualify for incentive payments and to begin the attestation process, please coordinate with your practice administrator to contact eHealthDC staff directly at contact@ehealthdc.org, call 202-552-2331, or submit an inquiry at www.e-healthdc.org.

Contact eHealthDC by August 15th to ensure you meet this new deadline.